

PEMBROKE HERITAGE MURALS ©

May 7th 2019

PRESENT: Pamela Dempsey, Councillor Brian Abdallah, Dennis Corrigan

REGRETS: Lloyd Raglin, Jane Kielman

AGENDA: MOTION by Dennis, APPROVED

MINUTES: April 1st MOTION by Brian, APPROVED

CORRESPONDENCE: *circulated in advance, read only if necessary

We discussed Deputy Mayor Gervais' reply to our April 3rd letter to the Pembroke Police Services Board requesting a greater police presence in the waterfront area including 'The Timber Raft' mural. "As part of the policing strategies, an Algonquin College Police Foundations initiative was instituted last year wherein students engage in foot patrol by foot and cycle in the downtown area looking for suspicious activity".

Dennis did see quite a few foot patrols last summer.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

There is nothing to report at this time.

BUSINESS ARISING:

"The Timber Raft"

Our concerns have been relayed to Deputy Mayor Ron Gervais, Chair, Pembroke Police Services Board and acknowledged.

Pam met with the City's Manager of Parks and Recreation, Ron Conroy. Mr. Conroy was provided with a copy of our April 3rd letter to DM Gervais and his April 9th reply.

PHMurals requests that the City's Summer Students pick garbage up on 'The Timber Raft' mural site, as well as on the overall property. On many occasions we have witnessed the students just picking up at the base of the garbage bins at the Skateboard Park. Mr. Conroy agreed to ask the students to be more diligent in this area.

PHMurals will be adding more river rock to 'The Timber Raft' site. Mr. Conroy will have the cement curbs moved aside when the time comes for Valley Contracting to deliver. We agreed that we will hold off until the water levels etc have settled down as City crews have their hands full now.

Pam also discussed the BMX Bike Track that Mr. Mottershead started behind the Skateboard Park last summer. Mr. Mottershead does not have permission from the City's Planning Committee and this is City property. Mr. Conroy said that Petawawa built a BMX Bike Track and it takes two employees to operate it. Brian suggests such a track could be located in the area of Riverside Park.

Brian discussed the cannabis question and how it relates to public places. Mr. Conroy is working on a proposal for Council.

M&R:

Pam reported that we haven't been successful so far in finding an artist in the area who would be able to repair murals. She will ask Shauna if she might be able to do a part day repair at 'The Mackay Street Arena' mural. It's possible this will be the first time in 26-27 years that we haven't had an artist at work repairing murals.

Pam will do the very minor repair at 'Living Our Community Dreams' and 'Peter White' murals. After Poseidon Cleaning Services has washed 'The Irish Play', Pam will apply a clear coat: all small and manageable jobs. We will wait until school is out before asking Corey Spence to wash the mural.

Pam asked Walsh Bros. Construction to give us a price on installing a wider cap on 'The Mackay Street Arena 1905-1951' mural. Also, to remove the four mural meter posts that are no longer in use.

OTHER:

Our half page ad in Travel Our Backyard summer 2019 issue has been approved. Jennifer came up with an improved layout over the one we submitted. It's a different look from previous years. We are using 'The Timber Raft' image, painted in 2004 by Pierre Hardy.

NEW BUSINESS:

Our membership was paid to Mural Routes April 3rd. Since then our main page has been set up as well as our listing on their Mapping the Murals of Canada site. Pam used 'The Timber Raft' image full on for the main page, and on the Mapping page a side view with the large boulder showcased. Dennis & Pam explained to Brian that each year we select an image from one mural and use that in our advertising and promotion.

In looking over their list of Members, Pam saw that Karole Marois is using 'The Pioneers of Pembroke Township 1820-1850' on her site! She painted that mural for us in 2008.

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Adjourn: 5:15 pm

Next Meeting: June 5th 2019